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Amargosa School GEAR UP Abstract 2012-2013

Amargosa School has twenty students in the upcoming 7th grade class. The 2010-2011 data states that the free and reduced school population is at 90.5% while 81.1% of the students that attend the school are Hispanic with a limited English proficiency rate of 46.8% and a transiency rate of 36.4% (6.8% higher than the state).

School improvement efforts include improved academic achievement in reading, math and science. Constructed response questions are a focus for all content areas as well as the implementation of the Common Core State Standards. GEAR UP will support these efforts through tutoring, parent involvement and individualized students goal planning.

Even though the GEAR UP cohort is small, the GEAR UP Site Representative will provide the same GEAR UP services as other communities in Nye. Field trips to colleges with a focus on academic success will enable students to succeed in post-secondary education. Employability skills for career readiness will be addressed as well as college standards and financial aid. Individualized tutoring will be offered to all participants.

Parent involvement activities are imperative in assisting with the understanding of post-secondary options. Parents will learn about financial aid, college acceptance, and other college experiences that will assist students in obtaining post-secondary education. Parent chaperones for college visits and other educational trips and camps will expose parents to opportunities for their students and a road map on how to obtain the goal.

Setting up a college corner at Amargosa School will provide opportunity to students as well as adults in regards to a college going culture. This area will be used by the counselor to provide information to students, the GEAR UP site representative to work with students and parents and for the parents and students to visit to receive information and knowledge of post-secondary choices.

Exploration of career choices using integrated technology will support STEM programming components. Professional development for teachers and leaders in STEM will increase the awareness at the site level and provide additional resources to the students.